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Monongahela National Forest

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Dear Forest User:

You are receiving this letter because you have expressed an interest in mineral activities on the Monongahela National Forest. The Forest has received mineral-related applications for uses of National Forest lands as shown in *Figure 1, Table of Proposed Projects*. As the deciding official, I will review the plans and decide to (a) authorize, (b) authorize subject to specified conditions, or (c) not authorize, for stated reasons, the proposed uses. I would like your comments on the proposed plans so that I may use them to help me reach my decision. Your comments will be considered as we analyze the proposed actions and reach a decision. Comment forms have been attached for your convenience.

The areas specified in the proposals are managed under the Monongahela National Forest Plan, which allows these types of Special Uses (Management Prescription 3, Standards and Guidelines).

The enclosures to this letter describe the purpose and need for each proposal and provide more detailed descriptions of the proposed actions. Maps showing the locations of the pipelines, access road, and seismic surveys are included in the attachments.

Please mail your comments to the attention of Deb Sholly, USDA Forest Service, Post Office Box 67, Bartow, West Virginia, 24920, by July 19, 2004. Please include your phone number with your response so that Forest personnel can contact you if there are any questions regarding your comments.

Sincerely,

/S/ CLYDE N. THOMPSON
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Forest Supervisor

Enclosures

cc: Linda L Tracy, Deb Sholly

